State	No. of units	Capital Formation (Rs. in crore)	Employ-ment
Manipur	Nil	Nil	Nil
Mizoram	Nil	Nil	Nil
NER Total	461	997	33763

Demand and supply of spices in the Country

†1877. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the regions where spices are produced in the country;

(b) the details of demand and supply of spices in the country during the last three years;

(c) the quantum of spices exported and foreign exchange earned by Government during the said period; and

(d) the effective steps taken by Government for increasing the production of spices in the country?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Spices are produced in almost all the States in India. However, major spice producing States include Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Gujarat, Kerala and Madhya Pradesh.

(b) It is estimated that 90 to 92% of the domestic production of spices is consumed within the country. The total production in the country has been as below:

Year	Production (Thousand Tons)
1998-1999	3091
1999-2000	3023
2000-2001*	3048

*Provisional

Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) The quantity of spices exported and the foreign exchange earned during last three years are given below:—

Year	Quantity (Tons)	Foreign exchange earned (Million US$)
1999-2000	236142	468.12
1999-2000	230000	353.13
2000-2001*	245000	341.60

*Provisional

Source: Spices Board

(d) For increasing production and productivity of agriculture products including spices, a Centrallly Sponsored Scheme on "Macro Management in Agriculture — Supplementing/Complementing the State Efforts through Work Plans" is being implemented. This includes programmes/schemes for development of spices like production and distribution of quality planting material; area expansion; pest and disease management; estabiishment of field demonstration plots; minikits distribution; upgrading technical know-how; demonstration-cum-progeny gardens; technical development & application.

In order in increase production of Cardamom (Small and Large) specifically, Government through Spices Board implements a number of programmes which include production and supply of quality planting material; replanting of senile and uneconomic gardens; irrigation and land development; construction of drying yards.

Declaration of SEZs as sea ports

1878. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a bid to encourage trade from Special Economic Zones Government has decided to declare all such zones as sea ports;

(b) if so, the names and places of such zones; and

(c) the other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) to (c) It has been decided to notify specified area within the existing Special Economic Zones located at Kandla and Surat (Gujarat), Santa Cruz, Mumbai (Maharashtra), Noida (Uttar Pradesh), Chennai (Tamil Nadu), Cochin (Kerala), Falta (West Bengal) and